



By the King.
A P R O C L A M A T I O N
For Prizing of Wines.

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Whereas by the Statute made in the Twentye eighth year of the Reign of King Henry the Eighth for Prizing of Wines it is Provided, That the Lord Chancellor, Lord Treasurer, Lord President of the Kings most Honourable Council, Lord Pryvy Seal, and the Lord Chief Justices of either Bench, or Fife, Four, or Thre of them, shall have power and authority by their discretion to set the Prizes of all kinds of Wines, as in the said Statute is expressed; By vertue wherof the Lord Chancellor, the Lord Keeper of the Pryvy Seal, the Lord Chief Justice of his Majesties Bench, and the Lord Chief Justice of the Court of Common Pleas, the Sebenteenth day of December last did Order, That Canary Wines, Allegant and Muscadels, be sold in gros for Thirty two pounds the Butt or Pipe, and Eleben pence the Pint by retail; Sacks and Maligos in gros at Twenty four pounds the Butt, and Eight pence the Pint by retail; and that French Wines should be sold in gros for Twenty three pounds the Tun, and Eight pence the Quart by retail, and Rhenish Wines in gros for Six pounds the Ane, and Twelbe pence the Quart by retail, and so according to these proportions for greater or lesser quantities, either in gros or by retail; And that none presume to sell at higher Prizes during the next year ensuing, to be accounted from the first day of this instant February, wherof the Clerk of the Croton was to take notice, and to see the same proclaimed the then next Term in the Chancery according to the said Statute, and accordingly there hath been Proclamation made the first day of this present Hillary Term, being the Thre and twentieth day of January last. Now that all cause of excuse may be removed from such as inhabit in remote parts of this Realm, and that such as shall be found Delinquents herein, may acknowledge their own wilfulness the cause of the danger and penalty they fall into after double advertisement, his Majesties Will and Pleasure is, and by the advyce of the said Lords, and the rest of his Pryvy Council, according to one other Statute in that behalf made in the Fourth year of the Reign of his most Noble Progenitor, King Edward the

Third, by this his Royal Proclamation doth publish and declare, That for one year next following, to be accounted as aforesaid, Canary Wines, Allegant and Biscadels be not sold in gross at above Thirty two pounds the Butt or Pipe, and at Eleben pence the Pint by retail; and that Sacks and Maligos be not sold in gross at above Twenty four pounds the Butt, and Eight pence the Pint by retail; and that French Wines be not sold in gross at above Twenty three pounds the Tun, and Eight pence the Quart by retail; and that Rhenish Wines be not sold in gross at above Six pounds the Ane, and Twelbe pence the Quart by retail, and according to these proportions for greater or lesser quantities, either in gross or by retail: which Rates and Prizes his Majesties Pleasure is shall be duely obserbed in all his Ports and other places within this Realm where Wines are landed, and within Ten miles of those Ports and places. And it is his Majesties Pleasure, That in places where Wines by Land-carriage shall be conveyed more then Ten miles from the next Port, the several sorts of Wines aforesaid, shall and may be sold according to the Rates aforesaid, with an allowance not exceeding Four pounds the Tun, and one peny the Quart for the carriage thereof upon land every Thirty miles, and according to that proportion, and not at greater Rates; Straitly Charging and Commanding such of his Subjects and others whom it shall concern, that none of them during the time aforesaid, presume to sell any of the said Wines in gross or by retail, at higher Rates then by this his Majesties Proclamation are appointed, under the Forfeitures and Penalties mentioned in the said Statute, and other the Lawes and Statutes of this Realm Ordained in that behalf, and such further Pains and Penalties as by the Lawes and Statutes of this Realm can or may be inflicted upon wilful contemners of his Majesties Royal Command and Proclamation. And his Majesty taking notice by representation from the said Lords, of great disorder in managing the Trade of Wines at the Canaries, by inhancing the Prizes thereof, and by driving the same with much less Exportation of the Commodities of the Grooth and Manufacture of this Kingdom then formerly, to the decay of the Stock thereof, doth hereby Declare, and his express Will and Pleasure is, That no Canary-Wine shall be permitted to be sold in this Kingdom at above Six and twenty pounds the Pipe, from and after the first day of February, which shall be in the year 1664. And his Majesty doth also Declare, That he intends afterwards to reduce the Price thereof: hereby Requiring and Commanding all Mayors, Sheriffs, Justices of Peace, Merchants, and Traders to the Canaries, Customers, Comptrollers, and other Officers of his Majesties Ports, and all others whom it shall concern, diligently to obserbe, take notice of, and attend the execution of this his Royal Pleasure, and to give Information to the Lords and others of the Privy Council, of the Delinquents, that they may be proceeded against, and receive punishment according to their demerits.

Given at Our Court at *Whitehall* the 27th day of *January*, 1663. in the Fifteenth year of Our Reign.

God save the King.

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